

COMMON INCIDENT COMMAND CENTER SITUATIONS

TIRE FIRES

(May 2005)

Potential Contacts and/or Report Distribution: (BOLD = REQUIRED CONTACTS)

- **Regional Office, SWMP, APCP, EPA**
- Notify SEMA if evacuations occur
- E-mail (January 4, 2005 memo on Guidance for EER E-Mail Messages) if an EER response is made.

Duty Officer Considerations:

- EER Response is warranted if evacuations occur, if local officials request assistance, or if the tire fire is greater than 500 tires.
- Consider recommending evacuation or shelter-in-place for populations located downwind of the fire.
- Require that the fire fighting activities include an effective means of holding fire suppression runoff as well as pyrolytic oil that may be generated from tire combustion.
- Small fires may be extinguished with soil or foam.
- In the event of a large fire, separate unburned tires from the fire. Allow those tires that are already on fire to burn.
- Consider contacting EPA to open the OPA fund if a waterway is threatened or impacted by the petroleum constituents released as the result of the burning tires.